प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और विधि, न्याय तथा कंपनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रंगाराजन कुमारमंगलम्) : (क) और (ख) भारत के मुख्य न्यायमूर्ति द्वारा समर्थित प्रस्तावों के अनुसरण में, सरकार ने, उच्च न्यायालय और उच्चतम न्यायालय के न्यायाधीशों के मामले में दौरे पर रहने पर दिए जाने वाले दैनिक भत्ते में वृद्धि करने और निःशुल्क सुसज्जा की सीमा में वृद्धि और उच्चतम न्यायालय के न्यायाधीशों के मामले में सरकारी आवासों में विद्युत और जल प्रभारों के संबंध में अधिकतम सीमा में वृद्धि और सेवा-निवृत्ति पश्चात् दिए जाने वाले फायदों के संबंध में आदेश जारी किए हैं। जहां तक उच्चतम न्यायालय और उच्च न्यायालयों के न्यायाधीशों के वेतनमान में वृद्धि के प्रश्न का संबंध है, न्यायमूर्तियों के सम्मेलन ने, 30 अगस्त, 91 से 1 सितंबर, 91 के दौरान हुई उनकी बैठक में, ऐसी वृद्धि का प्रस्ताव करते हुए, एक संकल्प पारित किया था। इस सुझाव पर अभी कोई विनिश्चय नहीं किया गया है।

Pending cases in J and K State

1679. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of arrears of pending cases in J and K referring to each Munsiff, each District Judge, Sub-Judge, each Additional District Judge, High Court of Jammu, High Court Srinagar;

(b) what is the break up of arrears relating to civil Revenue, criminal, constitutional, company cases in each of the said courts; and

(c) what are the reasons for accumulation of arrears and how Governments propose to remedy this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) to (c) As on 31-12-1988, a total of 130039 cases were pending in District Subordinate Courts in J and K. The Pendency of cases in the High Court of Jammu and Kashmir as on 31-12-1989, was 42099. The time and effort involved in collecting such detailed break-up of arrears in respect of each Judicial Officer may not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved. The accumulation of arrears is due to a variety of complex factors like increased institution of cases, delay in disposals, shortage of infra-structural support etc. To this has been added the factor of disturbed conditions in a part of the State.

The various recommendations of the Arrears Committee which went into the problem of arrears in Courts have been commended to all the State Governments/High Courts including the Government of J and K and the High Court of Jammu and Kashmir for suitable follow-up action.

Investigation against SKF Bearing India Limited

1680. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently ordered an investigation against M/s. S.K.F. Bearing India Limited an affiliate of SKF Bearing Industries Limited of Sweden, for creating artificial shortage in the bearings market and if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission had taken action against this

company for creating a scarcity in the market pushing the prices up and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) The MRTP Commission has recently ordered the Director General Investigation & Registration to conduct a preliminary Investigation on a complaint alleging that M/s SKF Bearings India Limited is not supplying bearings in accordance with the orders placed by dealers and that the supplies are being affected only to a few favoured dealers.

The MRTP Commission is a quasi-judicial body and is empowered to take further necessary action under the provisions of the MRTP Act, 1969 on receipt of the Preliminary Investigation Report from DGIR.

Supreme Court Bench in Southern States

1681. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a Supreme Court Bench in one of the Southern States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) According to article 130 of the Constitution, the Supreme Court shall sit in Delhi or in such other place or places as the Chief Justice of India may, with the approval of the President, from time to time, appoint. No proposal has been received from the Chief Justice of India in this regard.

Setting up of Family Courts

1682. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of disputes relating to marriage and family matters are pending in the courts for long period in the country;

(b) if so, what is the number of such cases;

(c) whether Government propose to set up more family courts in the country to dispose of such cases; and

(d) if so, the steps contemplated by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) The desired informataion is being collected and will be laid on the Table of House.

(c) and (d) It has been the policy of the Government to encourage the setting up Family Courts. Where the jurisdiction of the Family Courts Act, 1984, has not been extended the Government has been requesting the States/Union Territories to take suitable steps in this regard. Where the Act has been extended, it becomes obligatory on the part of the State/Union Territory concerned to set up Family Courts for every area comprising a city or town whose population exceeds 1 million and as regards other areas, they may do so as they deem it necessary.